(b) if so, whether even Euro-2/Bharat-2 and CNG vehicles are required to have PUC;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and when they are treated as non-polluting vehicle;

(d) whether DTP is not prosecuting polluting vehicles but only those not having PUC even if their pollution level is within limit; if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether it is possible for 400 pollution checking centres to check more than three millions vehicles of Delhi every three months; if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) The Transport Department of the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi has launched an intensive drive against polluting vehicles with effect from 1st july, 2002.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Every motor vehicle, after the expiry of a period of one year from the date of its first registration, is required to have valid "Pollution Under Control" Certificated as per the provisions of Rule 115(7) of Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

(d) The Delhi Traffic Police prosecutes those motor vehicles which are not found carrying valid "Pollution Under Control" Certificates.

(e) The 415 Pollution Checking Centres authorized by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi have an estimated combined capacity to check 3 million vehicles in a period of three months. This estimate is based on the assumption that every centre conducts 100 pollution checks per day for 75 working days in a period of three months.

Scheme launched by Delhi Traffic Police to Deposit Fine

823. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Traffic Police have launched a system wherein one can deposit the fine through cheque at certain kiosks set up by the administration, if so the detials of the scheme;

(b) whether this method would be safe-proof and it is free from any kind of mischief, is so, the details as to how it would be tamper-proof or trouble-free; and

(c) how far this new system will provide relief, comfort and consolation to the customers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir. This system has been introduced at 3 locations in different parts of the city.

(b) In order to make the system safe, the challans issued to the offenders are cancelled only after the cheque is cleared by the banks.

(c) The payment facility at these locations is available for 24 hours a day and as such, it is expected to provide some relief to the commuters.

Introduction of Intelligent Traffic Enforcement Devices

824. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what type of Hi-tech Gadgetry the Delhi police propose to employ to track down traffic offenders, as indicated in the 'Indian Express' of June 6, 2002;

(b) whether Government has engaged some firm for introduction of "intelligent traffic enforcement devices", if so, the details of the project; and

(c) what is the estimated-cost of the project and how the traffic violations would be monitored?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) There are already in use several state-of-the-art gadgets for regulating and monitoring the traffic in Delhi. However, the Government has neither received any formal proposal on the lines referred to in the news-item nor it has engaged any firm for the purpose on a revenue sharing basis.